

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Takeshi OKAMURA et al.  
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Art Unit: Not assigned  
Examiner: Not assigned

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to the first Office Action in the present application, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments** to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments** to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.